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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability mailed 12 January 2005, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.